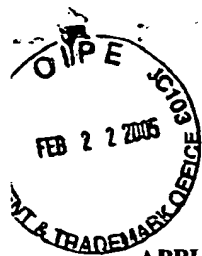


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Dear Sir:

This is filed in response to the Office Action dated November 17, 2004. A Terminal Disclaimer has been requested relative to related U.S. Patent No. 6,658,827, and is enclosed herewith. As this constituted the only ground for rejection posited, and has been resolved hereby, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

For any question on this matter, the examiner is invited to call applicant's attorney at the number listed below. The applicant stands ready to take such other and further steps as may be necessary.

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The undersigned is an attorney of record. The terminal disclaimer fee under 37 CFR 1.20(d) is included.

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